## House Resolution No. 2488

Whereas, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Harrisonville R-IX School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty on May 23, 2003, with the retirement of Konna Shouse who has devoted many years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

Whereas, Konna Shouse has excelled in the area of cross-categorical education for sixteen years at Harrisonville Elementary School, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

Whereas, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Konna Shouse also distinguished herself as a learning disabilities teacher at Ballard Grade School and Ballard High School in Butler for six years, as a Head Start teacher at Rich Hill for three years, and as a second grade and remedial reading teacher at Miami of Amsterdam for four years; and

**Whereas**, a valuable member of the Missouri National Education Association, Konna Shouse has watched her pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge she has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

Whereas, Konna Shouse has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include three children and one son-in-law, Mindy Shouse and Krista and Geoff Jones of Columbia, and Erik Shouse of Rich Hill:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Harrisonville R-IX School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Konna Shouse has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves with ample time for her horses and house plans; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Konna Shouse, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Rex Rector
District No. 124
Representative D. J. Davis
District No. 122
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No. 2488, adopted May
6, 2003.